

Interview Summary

Application No.
09/553,413

Applicant(s)
Briere et al

Examiner
Robert Davis

Group Art Unit
1722

All participants (applicant, applicant's representative, PTO personnel):

(1) Robert Davis

(3) Keith E. Broyles

(2) Gregory T. Gronholm

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Date of Interview Mar 22, 2001

Type: ☐ Telephonic ☒ Personal (copy is given to ☐ applicant ☒ applicant's representative).

Exhibit shown or demonstration conducted: ☒ Yes ☐ No. If yes, brief description:

Mr. Gronholm and Mr. Broyles displayed blueprints and Patent (4,579,519 to Maser et al) supplied to them by Wentworth in the corresponding litigation as well as Patents from other of Applicant's applications.

Agreement ☒ was reached. ☐ was not reached.

Claim(s) discussed: All of record

Identification of prior art discussed:

The prior art submitted on the day of the interview in the IDS (7 sections). Including copies of the Wentworth blueprints and Patent art.

Description of the general nature of what was agreed to if an agreement was reached, or any other comments:

It was agreed to cancel claims 22-31 by Examiner's Amendment and that these claims would be further prosecuted in a continuation application. Mr. Gronholm and Mr. Broyles also showed the Examiner a copy of the updated pleadings in the corresponding litigation. The prior art reviewed during the interview and listed on the 7 sections of IDS were considered to be no more pertinent to the patentability of the claims than those already in the application. Applicant's attorney is also submitted a statement of inaccessibility of the Letters Patent. Copies of the initialled 1449's were given to applicant's attorneys at the interview.


(A fuller description, if necessary, and a copy of the amendments, if available, which the examiner agreed would render the claims allowable must be attached. Also, where no copy of the amendments which would render the claims allowable is available, a summary thereof must be attached.)

1. ☒ It is not necessary for applicant to provide a separate record of the substance of the interview.

Unless the paragraph above has been checked to indicate to the contrary, A FORMAL WRITTEN RESPONSE TO THE LAST OFFICE ACTION IS NOT WAIVED AND MUST INCLUDE THE SUBSTANCE OF THE INTERVIEW. (See MPEP Section 713.04). If a response to the last Office action has already been filed, APPLICANT IS GIVEN ONE MONTH FROM THIS INTERVIEW DATE TO FILE A STATEMENT OF THE SUBSTANCE OF THE INTERVIEW.

2. ☒ Since the Examiner's interview summary above (including any attachments) reflects a complete response to each of the objections, rejections and requirements that may be present in the last Office action, and since the claims are now allowable, this completed form is considered to fulfill the response requirements of the last Office action. Applicant is not relieved from providing a separate record of the interview unless box 1 above is also checked.

Examiner Note: You must sign and stamp this form unless it is an attachment to a signed Office action.


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